

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2690 - SB 2966

January 27, 2010

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the court clerk to pay any money collected from an indigent criminal defendant to the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) rather than directly to the defendant's attorney of record.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenue – Not Significant/Indigent Defense Fund

Assumptions:

- Currently the monies collected in these cases are sent directly to the appointed attorney. By the time the court clerk has collected these fees, appointed counsel has most often submitted a fee claim to the Indigent Defense Fund and has been paid the appropriate fee. Current law does not require the attorney to reimburse the Indigent Defense Fund the monies received from the court clerk.
- According to the AOC, the amount of additional revenue is indeterminable but is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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